

CLUB SAKE NEWS – September 29, 2009

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Captain News

New Information

1. WINTER PRACTICES BOAT SCHEDULE

Saturday:	8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.	Habu SAKE (1 boat) Survivor SAKE (1 boat) Vintage SAKE (1 boat)
	9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.	Team SAKE (1 boat)
	9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.	Absolut SAKE (1 boat) – open to all paddlers Hot SAKE (2 boats)
Tuesday:	6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.	Team SAKE (1 boat)
Wednesday:	6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.	Open Club Paddle

We will be storing the BUKs and one 6-16 at the North Dock. They will not be available for winter practice. Four 6-16s will be moored at the South Dock. Once all the boats are moved, all practices will be from the South Dock. The above schedule may change once Team SAKE and Spitfire SAKE submit their final requests.

2. WORK PARTIES

Captains: We need a minimum of 2 people from each team per day for the work parties. See details below. Please email Hai Tran (seabreezetran@gmail.com) with details of who will help from your team.

Member News

New Information

1. HULI DRILL

The Huli Drill was a big success. Check out the pictures: <http://www.mtcphotos.com/>. Thanks to all who participated.

2. WORK PARTIES

Club Sake members,

Our equipment took a beating from our weekly practices and the practices to support the Celebrating Life! festival. Since October weather is very unpredictable, I need to call the a couple work parties on Oct 11 from and Oct 18 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. to get the following work done:

1. Secure all the lockers to make sure they can withstand the fall and winter wind
2. Wash all the PFDs before putting them in permanent storage
3. Boat moving - move 2 BUK to the North dock and move 1 616 boat to the South dock. We will need to park 3 of our inactive boats at the North dock so we do not have to worry about boat towing and storage space. We need to secure and cover these boats to protect them from the rough water and the rain water.
4. Repair the damaged seats.

We would like to have two volunteers from each team. The volunteers will work with members of the equipment committee to get the above task done on those two days. The more volunteers we have, the less time it will take.

Here's your chance to give back to the club for all the fun you had on the water this year.

Please contact me via email (seabreezetrans@gmail.com) to confirm your availability or if you have any question.

Thanks,

Hai Tran
Equipment Manager

3. OPEN CLUB PADDLE

From Steve Yin of Absolut:

Saturday 9:30AM paddle: The racing season is over, but not paddling. If you would like to come out on Saturday 9:30AM (South dock), please email steveyin@hotmail.com, and we will put you on the invite. Everyone is invited, especially those who want to learn how to steer.

- Steve

Also, Matthew Goossen is organizing Open Club Paddles on Wednesday evenings. If you are interested and are not currently on the electronic invitation list, please contact Matthew (matthew.goossen@gmail.com) and ask to be included. Matthew will send an electronic invitation for the paddles and determines if they are a go or not from the responses he gets.

4. RESULTS FROM PORTLAND RACE

Report from Dave Mentz, Club SAKE Vice-President

Club Sake was very well represented at the Portland Festival on Sept. 12 & 13.

There were five mixed classes, A through E. Absolut made it to the B finals and took third, earning a bronze medal. Their last time was 1:58. They did this with some new paddlers and a few hired hands from Spitfire SAKE and Sakeccino.

Saketini, the mixed team comprised of Team, Habu, Spitfire and Vintage paddlers, made it into the A group, which included Kai l'kaika, Wasabi Burn, Canadian Navy, etc. Saketini won the A consolation final with a 1:52 time, giving them a fifth place overall finish among all mixed boats in the festival.

Congratulations to Absolut and Saketini.

Reminders

1. MOONLIGHT PADDLE

An all club Moonlight Paddle will be held on Saturday, Oct 3rd, at 6:30pm. We have lights for the boats and if you haven't experienced a night paddle, it's not to be missed. We will take as many boats as necessary and paddle out to the middle of the lake and tie up to watch the moon rise. While out there, we will pass around the goodies and beverages everyone will bring to share. If you can till for this event, please contact Matthew Goossen matthew.goossen@gmail.com.

2. MERCER-MEDINA SAUSAGE PULL

Here's a great opportunity to promote Dragon Boating to the public. Please come (and the Husky game has been moved to 7:00 p.m., so you have time to do both the race and get to the game.

Club SAKE is planning on having at least one boat at the Sound Rowers Open Water Rowing and Paddling Club's Mercer-Medina Sausage Pull race. There is a 6 mile or 14.1 mile race that start and finish at Medina Beach Park. The long course circumnavigates Mercer Island, clockwise. The short course heads to the each channel bridge, around any pillar and returns to the park. Race starts at 10:00a.m. on Saturday, October 10. Entry fee is \$8 person and ribbons will be awarded for 1st – 3rd by category. There is a post race BBQ with sausages for all competitors. If you are interested, please contact Matthew Goossen matthew.goossen@gmail.com

3. DRAGON BOAT SEAT CUSHIONS FOR SALE

We're trying to raise funds for Habu SAKE, by selling dragon boat seat cushions (a.k.a. buttpads) for \$5 each. The pad measures six inches by twelve inches and is half an inch thick. They are made of mini-cell foam, which do not absorb water. It comes with a non-slip, removable/replaceable cover that can be used on its own for seat traction if you don't want to carry the full pad. The pads are gray, but covers are available in ivory, beige, blue and green. I may have a limited amount in red. People can email me or Juan Lopez if they are interested or just have questions. My address is hazell86@gmail.com and Juan is at jllr30@yahoo.com.

Thank you.

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